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SUBJECT: VIOLENCE IN NORTHERN IRELAND

REF: STATE 138555

1. FCO IRELAND DEPARTMENT HAVE TOLD US THAT NO PRECISE BREAKDOWN OF PROPORTION OF DEATHS CAUSED BY PROTESTANTS AND CATHOLICS IN NORTHERN IRELAND IS POSSIBLE. THE BASIS FOR THE FIGURES REFERRED TO IN REFTEL HOWEVER IS THAT MAJORITY OF DEATHS WERE CAUSED BY BOMBS THROWN INTO CATHOLIC PUBS AND MEETING PLACES, OFTEN FOLLOWING BOMBINGS BY IRA. IRA USUALLY HAVE GIVEN WARNING OF BOMBS SO THAT FATALITIES HAVE BEEN LOW. PROTESTANTS WHO HAVE REPORTEDLY REACTED TO SUCH BOMBINGS IN HOT BLOOD HAVE OFTEN GIVEN NO WARNING AND THIS HAS RESULTED IN HIGH FATALITIES.

2. WE WERE GIVEN FOLLOWING STATISTICAL BREAKDOWN OF TERRORIST ACTIVITY IN NORTH IRELAND OVER PAST THREE MONTH PERIOD:

A. 178 TERRORIST BOMBINGS

909 SHOOTING INCIDENTS

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581 PEOPLE INJURED OR KILLED

6 SOLDIERS KILLED

5 RUC KILLED

35 CIVILIANS KILLED

67 SOLDIERS WOUNDED

21 RUC WOUNDED

458 CIVILIANS WOUNDED

B. 379 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH SCHEDULED  
(TERRORIST) OFFENSES AND ANOTHER 1000 ARE AT  
PRESENT IN THE PIPELINE AWAITING THE FORMULATION  
OF CHARGES, THE ACQUISITION OF FURTHER EVIDENCE,  
ETC. ANNENBERG

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